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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte TAPANI J. VUORINEN,
U. JOHANNA BUCHERT,
ANITA B.L. TELEMAN
and
MAIJA TENKANEN

Appeal No. 2001-2554
Application 08/925,321

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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Applicants filed a Reconsideration (Paper No. 34, filed September 5, 2001) of the examiner's denial in a Communication (Paper No. 33, mailed August 16, 2001) for consideration of applicants' Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (Paper No. 32, filed March 9, 2001). In their request for Reconsideration (Paper No. 34), applicants have provided the information required by the examiner in his Communication (Paper No. 33). The IDS (Paper No. 32) is now ripe for consideration by the Examiner. Consideration is required by the examiner of the IDS (Paper

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No. 32, filed March 9, 2001) in accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. A communication notifying applicants of the primary examiner's decision is required in accordance with Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 609(c) (8th Ed., Aug. 2001).


Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the examiner for resolution of the following issues:

- consideration of the IDS (Paper No. 32, filed March 9, 2001);
- appropriate notification to applicants of the action taken; and
- for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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